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Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

- 1. (Cancelled)
- 2. (Currently amended) The hood latch assembling device according to claim 1, wherein A hood latch assembling device for exactly positioning a hood latch assembly at a carrier, the hood latch assembling device comprising:

a carrier assembling stand for fixing the carrier; and

a hood latch guide jig for exactly positioning the hood latch assembly at a predetermined location of the carrier,

the carrier assembling stand including:

a vertical frame;

a horizontal frame;

horizontal fixing jigs for fixing and supporting the carrier on the vertical frame in the horizontal direction;

a vertical fixing jig for fixing and supporting the carrier on the horizontal frame in the vertical direction;

the hood latch guide jig being mounted at an end of the horizontal frame of the carrier assembling stand;

the carrier assembling stand further includes including a horizontal supporting device for preventing [[a]] horizontal movement of the carrier by supporting the rear surface of the carrier during an assembling of while the hood latch assembly is assembled to the carrier.

3. (Currently amended) The hood latch assembling device according to claim 1,

wherein A hood latch assembling device for exactly positioning a hood latch assembly at a

carrier, the hood latch assembling device comprising:

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a carrier assembling stand for fixing the carrier; and

a hood latch guide jig for exactly positioning the hood latch assembly at a predetermined location of the carrier,

the carrier assembling stand including:

a vertical frame;

a horizontal frame;

horizontal fixing jigs for fixing and supporting the carrier on the vertical frame in the horizontal direction:

a vertical fixing jig for fixing and supporting the carrier on the horizontal frame in the vertical direction;

the hood latch guide jig being mounted at an end of the horizontal frame of the carrier assembling stand;

the horizontal fixing jigs include: including a horizontal position adjusting pin adapted to be inserted into horizontal position adjusting holes formed in the carrier for horizontally fixing the carrier; and a drive unit for moving the horizontal position adjusting pin.

- 4. (Currently amended) The hood latch assembling device according to claim [[1]] 3, wherein the vertical fixing jig includes: a vertical position adjusting pin <u>adapted</u> to be inserted into a vertical position adjusting hole formed in the carrier for vertically fixing the carrier; and a drive unit for moving the vertical position adjusting pin.
- 5. (Currently amended) The hood latch assembling device according to claim [[1]] 4, wherein the hood latch guide jig includes: a holding part for holding the hood latch assembly; and a drive part for moving the holding part.
- 6. (New) A hood latch assembling device for exactly positioning a hood latch assembly at a carrier, the hood latch assembling device comprising:
 - a carrier assembling stand for fixing the carrier; and
- a hood latch guide jig for exactly positioning the hood latch assembly at a predetermined location of the carrier,

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the carrier assembling stand including:

a vertical frame;

a horizontal frame;

horizontal fixing jigs for fixing and supporting the carrier on the vertical frame in the horizontal direction:

a vertical fixing jig for fixing and supporting the carrier on the horizontal frame in the vertical direction;

the hood latch guide jig being mounted at an end of the horizontal frame of the carrier assembling stand;

the vertical fixing jig including a vertical position adjusting pin adapted to be inserted into a vertical position adjusting hole in the carrier for vertically fixing the carrier; and a drive unit for moving the vertical position adjusting pin.

7. (New) The device of claim 3, wherein the stand includes horizontal fixing jigs for fixing and supporting the carrier on the vertical frame in the horizontal direction;

a vertical fixing jig for fixing and supporting the carrier on the horizontal frame in the vertical direction;

the hood latch guide jig being mounted at an end of the horizontal frame of the carrier assembling stand;

the carrier assembling stand including a horizontal supporting device for preventing horizontal movement of the carrier by supporting the rear surface of the carrier while the hood latch assembly is assembled to the carrier.

8. (New) The device of claim 4, wherein the stand includes horizontal fixing jigs for fixing and supporting the carrier on the vertical frame in the horizontal direction;

a vertical fixing jig for fixing and supporting the carrier on the horizontal frame in the vertical direction;

the hood latch guide jig being mounted at an end of the horizontal frame of the carrier assembling stand;

the carrier assembling stand including a horizontal supporting device for preventing horizontal movement of the carrier by supporting the rear surface of the carrier while the hood

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latch assembly is assembled to the carrier.

9. (New) The device of claim 5, wherein the stand includes horizontal fixing jigs for fixing and supporting the carrier on the vertical frame in the horizontal direction;

a vertical fixing jig for fixing and supporting the carrier on the horizontal frame in the vertical direction;

the hood latch guide jig being mounted at an end of the horizontal frame of the carrier assembling stand;

the carrier assembling stand including a horizontal supporting device for preventing horizontal movement of the carrier by supporting the rear surface of the carrier while the hood latch assembly is assembled to the carrier.

10. (New) The device of claim 6, wherein the stand includes horizontal fixing jigs for fixing and supporting the carrier on the vertical frame in the horizontal direction;

a vertical fixing jig for fixing and supporting the carrier on the horizontal frame in the vertical direction;

the hood latch guide jig being mounted at an end of the horizontal frame of the carrier assembling stand;

the carrier assembling stand including a horizontal supporting device for preventing horizontal movement of the carrier by supporting the rear surface of the carrier while the hood latch assembly is assembled to the carrier.